

REMARKS

After entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 1-25 and 42-67 will be pending in the application. Claims 1, 42, and 67 are independent claims.

Claim 27 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101, as allegedly reciting nothing but nonstatutory physical phenomena, and under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the enablement requirement. Applicant hereby cancels claim 27, thereby obviating the rejections.

Independent claims 1, 42, and 67 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. patent no. 6,707,476 ("Hochstedler"). Each of the independent claims recites generating a *concrete* user interface (UI) based on a *pre-defined, canonical* UI and user preferences input to the computer system by a user. Hochstedler does not teach or suggest such a system.

The system of Hochstedler switches between layouts based on a system-wide threshold specified by the user (Hochstedler at col. 8, ll. 10-43). If the threshold is exceeded, the system switches layouts (*Id.*). Thus, Hochstedler teaches a system wherein the user may pre-program the *manner* in which the system responds to a change (*e.g.*, in the capability of the system) (*Id.* at col. 5, ll. 20-40).

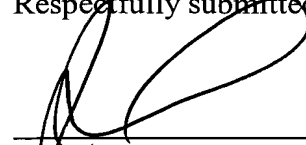
By contrast, the claimed invention enables a computer system to generate any number of concrete UIs from the same pre-defined canonical UI, based on preferences input by the user. Hochstedler does not teach or suggest generating a concrete UI from a pre-defined canonical UI, based on preferences input by the user. Therefore, the independent claims patentably define over the teachings of Hochstedler.

For all the foregoing reasons, independent claims 1, 42, and 67 are allowable. Dependent claims 2-25 and 43-66 are also allowable, at least by virtue of their dependency from the allowable independent claims. A Notice of Allowance for claims 1-25 and 42-67 is respectfully requested.

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